IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

CARL DEMETRIUS MITCHELL,

Petitioner,

Vs.

RON CHAMPION, et al.,

Respondents.

Petitioner,

No. 92-C-127-K

JAN 16 1995

ORDER

Pichard M. Lawrence, Clerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

On November 16, 1994, the Court granted Petitioner an opportunity to dismiss voluntarily his petition as moot or to submit arguments in support of his claim, if any, that the appellate delay violated his due process and/or equal protection rights. See Harris v. Champion, 15 F.3d 1538, 1558-1568 (10th Cir. 1994) (Harris II). On December 2, 1994, Petitioner timely filed his brief in support of his appellate delay claims. He alleged that he was entitled to a writ of habeas corpus even though both of his convictions were affirmed. Petitioner also alleged that he was entitled to the appointment of counsel. Respondent has objected to Petitioner's response.

The Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals has made clear that if a Petitioner's conviction has been affirmed, as in this case, federal habeas corpus relief on the basis of inordinate delay alone is not an available remedy unless the Petitioner shows "actual prejudice to the appeal, itself, arising from the delay." Harris II, 15 F.3d at 1566. The Circuit, quoting from Diaz v. Henderson, 905 F.2d 652, 653 (2nd Cir. 1990), reasoned:

An untainted affirmance of a petitioner's state appeal

while his habeas petition is pending makes clear that the petitioner was confined pursuant to a valid judgment of conviction throughout the period of delay. The affirmance established that if the delay had not occurred and petitioner's due process right to a timely appeal had been fully satisfied, he would have been subject to exactly the same term of confinement. Because the due process violation did not result in an illegal confinement, it cannot justify granting the habeas remedy of unconditional release.

Harris II, 15 F.3d at 1566 (10th Cir. 1994).

The Court finds the above reasoning applicable to the case at hand although Petitioner was represented on direct appeal by the Tulsa County Public Defender's Office instead of the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System. See Taylor v. Steve Hargett, 27 F.3d 483 (10th Cir. 1994) (applying the Harris II standard although petitioner was represented by retained counsel on direct appeal); see also Strickland v. Keothane, CIV-92-197-A (W. Dist. Okla. Apr. 19, 1994).

After carefully reviewing Petitioner's response and the exhibits attached thereto, the Court concludes that Petitioner has not established that, but for the appellate delay, his appeal would have been decided differently. See Harris II, 13 F.3d at 1566 (citing Mwwakkil v. Hoke, 968 F.2d 284, 285 (2d Cir.), cert. denied, ____, 113 S.Ct. 664 (1992)). Accordingly, Petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus on the basis of appellate delay is hereby denied. The Court holds, however, that this denial is without prejudice to Petitioner filing of a separate pro se action to pursue any other non-delay constitutional claims that he might have with regard to his convictions in CRF-87-36 and

CRF-87-876.

so ordered this 18 day of Junuary

TERRY C. KERN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA JAN 19 1995

LAB SCIENCES, INC.	Aichard M. Lawrence, Clerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERM DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
Plaintiff,)
vs.) No. 94-C-758-K
ORAL ROBERTS UNIVERSITY)
Defendant.	
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ORDER

Now before this Court is the Motion by Defendant Oral Roberts University to dismiss the complaint of Plaintiff, Lab Sciences, Inc., for lack of subject mater jurisdiction pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

This dispute involves the alleged non-payment by Oral Roberts University for a piece of laboratory equipment. The amount in controversy as stated by Plaintiff is \$3649.50.

This Court does not have subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 because the action dies not arise under the Constitution, laws, or treaties of the United States.

This Court does not have subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332 because the amount in controversy in this action does not exceed the sum of \$50,000.

Plaintiff's complaint fails to allege any grounds upon which this Court's jurisdiction depends as is required by Rule 8(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

For the reasons state above, the Motion to Dismiss is granted.

ORDERED this $\frac{/8}{}$ day of January, 1995.

TERRY C KERN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

RONALD E. O'DELL and PAULA O'DELL, husband and wife,

Plaintiff,

Vs.

No. 93-C-754-K

WILLIAM THOMAS McCollough and SUN REFINING AND MARKETING) COMPANY

Defendant.

Defendant.

ORDER

Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT MOMBRE DISTRICT COURT MOMBRE DISTRICT COURT

Now before this Court is Plaintiffs' Motion to Remand. Defendants William Thomas McCollough ("McCollough") and Sun Refining and Marketing Company ("Sun") oppose remand and argue that this case has been properly removed to federal court.

FACTS

This case arises out of a related action previously tried in the Northern District of Oklahoma in which the Plaintiffs claimed personal injuries resulting from exposure emitted from Sun's refinery in 1988. After trial, the jury found in favor of the Plaintiffs but awarded only one dollar in damages. Plaintiffs appealed to the Tenth Circuit.

One year later, Plaintiffs moved to vacate the judgment under Fed.R.Civ.P 60(b) alleging (1) newly discovered evidence, and (2) fraud, misrepresentation and misconduct of Sun, its counsel, and certain employees, including McCollough. Plaintiffs claimed that

McCollough, who served as Manager of the refinery owned and operated by Sun, concealed facts and committed fraud at the original trial ("O'Dell I"). The Court denied Plaintiffs' Motion to Vacate on the basis that the appeal divested it of jurisdiction. The Tenth Circuit dismissed for lack of prosecution Plaintiffs' appeal from the trial court's decision in O'Dell I as well as their appeal from the Court's denial of Plaintiffs' Motion to Vacate.

DISCUSSION

The current action essentially restates the claims made by Plaintiffs in their Motion to Vacate. Plaintiffs have set forth twenty separate counts alleging perjury by McCollough during the trial of O'Dell I and further argue that Sun is liable on a respondeat superior theory. Plaintiffs seek compensatory and punitive damages for the loss allegedly suffered in light of the jury's reliance on the false testimony of McCollough and the resulting verdict in Plaintiffs' favor for only one dollar.

Defendants rely principally on the doctrine of ancillary jurisdiction in support of their argument that a federal court is the appropriate forum for the instant dispute. Under the doctrine of ancillary jurisdiction, a federal court may exercise jurisdiction over a claim for which no subject matter jurisdiction independently obtains if the claim is sufficiently related to an initial claim properly before the court. Chesley v. Union Carbide

¹Plaintiffs voluntarily dismissed the attorneys originally included in the Complaint who had been accused of suborning perjury.

Corp., 927 F.2d 60, 64 (2d Cir. 1991). The decision to hear an ancillary claim is discretionary and turns upon judicial economy, convenience, and fairness to the litigants. Id.

These factors of judicial economy, convenience, and fairness have also been emphasized by the Tenth Circuit in assessing whether ancillary jurisdiction is appropriate. In <u>Jenkins v. Weinshienk</u>, the Tenth Circuit reviewed the factors used by courts to delineate the boundaries of those matters that are within the court's ancillary jurisdiction. 670 F.2d 915, 918 (10th Cir. 1982), citing Morrow v. District of Columbia, 417 F.2d 728, 740 (D.C.Cir. 969). The <u>Jenkins</u> court said that:

- an ancillary matter should arise from the transaction that was the basis of the principal proceeding, during the course of the principal proceeding, or as an integral part of the main proceeding;
- 2) the federal court should be able to determine the matter without a substantial new fact-finding proceeding;
- failing to determine the matter should not deprive a party of an important procedural or substantive right; or
- 4) the matter should be decided in order to protect the integrity of the principal proceeding or insure that its disposition is not frustrated.

Interestingly, these factors are taken directly from the <u>Morrow</u> decision, but in <u>Morrow</u> the court required all the factors to be present in order to justify ancillary jurisdiction. The Tenth Circuit, in citing <u>Morrow</u>, provides no explanatory comment but connects the four factors with "or" rather than "and" as used in <u>Morrow</u>. Other courts have required all factors to be present. <u>See Bankers Trust Company v. Worldwide Transportation Services</u>, 537 F. Supp. 1101, 1112 (requiring all four factors to be present for

ancillary jurisdiction to be assumed). Notwithstanding this confusion over the law of ancillary jurisdiction in the Tenth Circuit, these factors help to guide the Court in evaluating the arguments concerning removal of the action to federal court.

The first factor clearly weighs in favor of removal. The ancillary matter, i.e., the alleged perjury, arose during the course of the principal proceeding.

The second factor weighs against removal, since the amount of new fact-finding required to resolve the perjury issues will be substantial. While it is true that the Northern District possesses the trial transcripts of O'Dell I, the matters to be resolved will involve a factual investigation by a new jury of a very different sort. McCollough testified in O'Dell I on April 22, 1991 and April 26, 1991. Now, Plaintiffs allege that this testimony was false and The production of the transcripts constitute only a part of the potential action. The more substantial aspect of the claim will require evidence demonstrating that the testimony was false and that McCollough knew it was false or acted recklessly with the intention that the jury would rely on the statements. One crucial aspect of the case against McCollough will involve whether Sun had been engaged in processing "sour crude" for a period of time prior to the incident. While McCollough denied such processing of sour crude, the Plaintiffs plan to use a report allegedly prepared by Mark Kuhn discussing the extent of sour crude processing at the plant. Furthermore, Plaintiffs state in the Complaint that McCollough received a copy of this report prior to

the dates of his testimony. As this example demonstrates, the jury will be involved in substantial new fact-finding in order to determine McCollough's liability for perjury.

Third, the Defendants will not be deprived of any substantial right if this Court refuses to hear the dispute under principles of ancillary federal jurisdiction. Instead, the Defendants will simply have the issue determined in state court. There has been no showing that a remand of this case to state court will in any way deprive the Defendants of a substantive or procedural right.

Fourth, the Court should consider the issue of the integrity of the judicial proceeding in O'Dell I. There has been very little case law exploring the meaning of this factor. However, it appears that this factor is essentially concerned with the court's enforcement powers. In other words, the rationale contemplates that federal courts should have jurisdiction to ensure that its powers are given full effect and are not compromised. Morrow, 417 F.2d at 172; U.S. v. Brant, 684 F. Supp. 421, 425 (M.D.N.C. 1988). Under this interpretation of the integrity factor, it is not clear that an allegation of perjury compromises the integrity of the district court. "The major purpose of ancillary jurisdiction it to ensure that a judgment of a court is given full effect." Bankers Trust, 537 F. Supp. at 1112. While the allegation clearly raises an issue as to the integrity of McCollough, it does not necessarily impugn the powers of the court itself.

Finally, it is important to note that the perjury claim would require this Court to immerse itself in a complicated, undeveloped,

and very important area of state law, namely the existence under Oklahoma law of a civil perjury cause of action. To the extent that the doctrine of ancillary jurisdiction is designed to promote efficient packaging of litigation, this nuanced question of state law would be better resolved in the state courts. See 3 Moore's Federal Practice ¶ 14.26. This same concern is reflected in the recent statutory changes made by Congress regarding federal jurisdiction. Congress approved the Judicial Improvement Act of 1990 in which it authorized federal courts to utilize "supplemental jurisdiction" over all other claims that are related to claims over which the court has original jurisdiction. 28 U.S.C. § 1367(a). At the same time, the Congress provided that a district court may decline to exercise supplemental jurisdiction where the new claim raises a "novel or complex issue of State law." 28 U.S.C. § 1367(c). The Defendants have made clear that an important issue in this case involves conflicting decisions in the Oklahoma state courts concerning whether a plaintiff has a civil cause of action under Oklahoma law for the tort of perjury committed by a witness during a court proceeding. Defendants' Motion to Dismiss at p. 7-8. Similarly, Plaintiffs have squarely stated that they make their claim under the theory that a state law cause of action for perjury would be recognized by the Oklahoma Supreme Court. Knowing that this case will necessarily entail examination of this complex state issue, the public interest weighs in favor of having jurisdiction vested in the state courts.

The arguments for ancillary jurisdiction are ultimately not

persuasive. The Second Circuit cases cited by Defendants, <u>Chesley v. Union Carbide Corp.</u>, 927 F.2d 60 (2d Cir. 1991) and <u>Cresswell v. Sullivan & Cromwell</u>, 922 F.2d 60 (2d Cir. 1990), do not involve the same inconvenience and policy concerns that are encountered in the instant case. Therefore, those cases do not convince this Court that ancillary jurisdiction should be exercised in this instance.

Alternatively, Defendants argue that this matter has raised a general federal question and, as a result, this Court has jurisdiction. In making this argument, Defendants rely on Villareal v. Brown Express Inc., 529 F.2d 1219 (5th Cir. 1976), a case involving a similar factual dynamic as the one at bar. However, the Tenth Circuit, in Fajen v. Foundation Reserve Insurance Company, Inc., 683 F.2d 331, 334 (10th Cir. 1992), sought to limit the applicability of Villareal. In Fajen, the Tenth Circuit articulated a presumption against removal, saying that doubts concerning removal should be resolved against it. The Court stated:

Removal statutes should be strictly construed and, and all doubts are to be resolved against removal. This circuit has held that to support removal jurisdiction, the "required federal right or immunity must be an essential element of the plaintiff's cause of action, and that the federal controversy must be 'disclosed on the face of the complaint, unaided by the answer or by the petition for removal.'"

<u>Fajen</u>, 683 F.2d at 333 (Citations omitted). Moreover, it is important to note that <u>Villareal</u> can be distinguished from the current case because diversity existed between the parties in <u>Villareal</u> in contrast to the instant litigation where there could

be no diversity jurisdiction between the parties.

The Plaintiffs not only seek remand to the state court but also to impose costs, including attorney fees, on the Defendants occasioned by the removal to this Court. The removal statute provides:

If at anytime before final judgment it appears that the district court lacks subject matter jurisdiction the case shall be remanded. An order remanding the case may require payment of just costs and any actual expenses, including attorney's fees, incurred as a result of removal.

28 U.S.C. §1447(c). The district court has wide discretion in declining to award fees and costs. <u>Daleske v. Fairfield Communities</u>, Inc., 17 F.3d 321, 324. As the Tenth Circuit has held, "the propriety of the defendant's removal continues to be central in determining whether to impose fees." <u>Miranti v. Lee</u>, 3 F.3d 925, 928 (5th Cir. 1993), <u>cert. denied</u>, 114 S.ct. 1832. This action arises directly from a previous federal court case, and the argument for removal enjoys support in the law of the Second Circuit. In seeking to remove this case, Defendants acted on a supportable theory and acted in good faith. Therefore, this Court need not impose on Defendants the costs and fees incurred by the Plaintiffs in litigating the removal of this action.

For the reasons discussed above, the Plaintiffs' Motion to Remand is granted and this case is remanded to the District Court of Tulsa County. The request by Plaintiffs for costs and attorney's fees is denied.

ORDERED this _______ day of January, 1995.

TERRY C. KERN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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ROBERT L. GLOVE	·	Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT MORRIERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
Petit	ioner,)
vs.	;	No. 94-C-995-E
RONALD THOMPSON	, WARDEN,) (89-CR-56-E))
Respo	ndent.	,

<u>ORDER</u>

In October 1994, Petitioner filed a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis and a petition for a writ of habeas corpus by a person in federal custody pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241. He alleged that his sentence in 89-CR-56-E should be reduced under United States v. Patrick, 983 F.2d 206 (11th Cir. 1993). On November 23, 1994, the Government filed its response treating the petition as a motion to vacate, set aside, or correct sentence under 28 U.S.C. § 2255. The Petitioner has not filed a reply.

After carefully reviewing the petition and the response, the Court concludes that the petition should be construed as a motion to vacate, set aside, or correct sentence by a person in federal custody under 28 U.S.C. § 2255. Although the substance of Petitioner's claim for relief is before the Court in the instant petition, all further proceedings should be docketed in the criminal case and reviewed by the sentencing court.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

(1) The petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241 is **construed** as a motion to vacate, set

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aside, or correct sentence under 28 U.S.C. § 2255;

- (2) The Clerk shall administratively close the above captioned case and docket the section 2255 motion (doc. #1) and the Government's response (doc. #4) in Case No. 89-CR-56-E;
- (3) All further proceedings shall be **docketed** in the criminal case only.

SO ORDERED THIS 194 day of

1995

JAMES O. ELLISON, Senior Judge UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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Richard M. Lawrence, Court Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT
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JOINT DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(ii), the parties hereby jointly dismiss the captioned case.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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Plaintiffs,	Richard M. Lawrence, Court Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT	
vs.) Case No. 94-C-820-B	
BROWNING-FERRIS, INC., a Delaware corporation, et al.,) Entered on docket	
Defendants.) DATE JAN 2 U 1335	

NOTICE OF DISMISSAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Plaintiffs, Sun Company, Inc. (R & M) and Texaco, Inc. hereby dismiss Defendant, ANCHOR STONE CO., ONLY without prejudice.

Dated this 19th day of January, 1995.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

ANDREW DUNCAN,

Petitioner,

vs.

RON CHAMPION,

Respondent.

No. 94-C-119-B

ORDER

At issue before the Court is Petitioner's pro se petition for a writ of habeas pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. In his petition, Petitioner raises two issues: (1) that the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System has failed to perfect his direct appeal, and (2) that the trial testimony of various defense witnesses was not transcribed and made part of the appellate record. In the Rule 5 response, Respondent contends that Petitioner's application for habeas corpus relief should be dismissed because Petitioner's direct appeal has now been perfected and is at issue before the Court of Criminal Appeals and the direct appeal record contains the testimony which Petitioner alleges to have been omitted. The Petitioner has not filed a reply. For the reasons stated below, the Court concludes that the petition should be denied.

I. BACKGROUND

On June 27, 1988, Petitioner received a life sentence for the crime of murder in the first degree in Adair County District Court, Case No. CRF-87-133. A Notice of Intent to Appeal was filed on the

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same day. The Oklahoma Indigent Defense System (OIDS), however, did not receive notice of appointment to represent the Petitioner until July 16, 1993, by which date the time to perfect the appeal had expired. An application for an appeal out of time was filed on behalf of the Petitioner and was granted by the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals on October 5, 1993. On March 18, 1994, the OIDS filed Petitioner's direct appeal brief. The State filed its response brief on May 17, 1994.

II. ANALYSIS

As a preliminary matter this Court must address whether Petitioner meets the exhaustion requirement of 28 U.S.C. § 2254(b) Because Petitioner has alleged, among other issues, and (c). inordinate delay in the processing of his direct criminal appeal, the Court turns to Harris v. Champion, 15 F.3d 1538 (10th Cir. 1994), to determine whether exhaustion should be excused in this case. In Harris, the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals held that "the state appellate process should be presumed to be ineffective and, therefore, exhaustion should presumptively be excused, when a petitioner's direct criminal appeal has been pending for two years without resolution absent a constitutionally justification by the State." Id. at 1556. When a petitioner has been granted an appeal out of time, however, "the length of the appellate process should be measured from the entry of that order unless, of course, delay in perfecting the appeal in the first instance is attributable to the State." Id. at 1556 n.9.

On the basis of the record in this case, the Court concludes that excusing Petitioner's failure to exhaust state remedies is appropriate. Although less than two years have passed since October 5, 1993 (the date of entry of the order granting Petitioner an appeal out of time), "the delay in perfecting the appeal in the first instance is attributable to the State." Id. As noted in the background section of this order, the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System did not receive notice of appointment to represent the Petitioner until July 16, 1993, by which time the time to perfect the appeal had expired. Petitioner is, therefore, excused from exhausting his state remedies. See Taylor v. Hargett, 27 F.3d 483 (10th Cir. 1994).

As the Circuit discussed in <u>Harris</u>, however, "proceeding directly to the merits of a petitioner's claims after excusing exhaustion may not be the preferred course of action, or even an effective one." <u>Id.</u> at 1557. The Court will, therefore, consider whether the delay in adjudicating Petitioner's direct appeal gives rise to an independent due process claim. <u>Id.</u> In determining whether inordinate delay in adjudicating Petitioner's direct criminal appeal violated his substantive due process rights, this Court must balance the following factors:

- a. the length of the delay;
- b. the reason for the delay and whether that reason is justified;
- c. whether the petitioner asserted his right to a timely appeal; and
- d. whether the delay prejudiced the petitioner by

- i. causing the petitioner to suffer oppressive incarceration pending appeal; or
- ii. causing the petitioner to suffer constitutionally cognizable anxiety and concern awaiting the outcome of his or her appeal; or
- iii. impairing the petitioner's grounds for appeal or his or her defense in the event of a reversal and retrial.

<u>Harris</u>, 15 F.3d at 1559. Even though a court is required to balance all four factors, "ordinarily, a petitioner must make some showing on the fourth factor--prejudice--to establish a due process violation." Id.

a result of the representation by OIDS insufficient in and of itself to establish prejudice. The Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals has specifically stated that prejudice cannot be presumed from delay alone "absent a delay so excessive as to trigger the Doggett presumption of prejudice." Harris, 15 F.3d Although Petitioner has suffered some delay in 1538, 1565. adjudicating his appeal, the Court does not believe that the delay in this case has been sufficiently long to trigger a presumption of prejudice under Doggett v. United States, 112 S.Ct. 2686 (1992). Cf. Taylor, 27 F.3d at 483, 486 (10th Cir. 1994) (where a two-year and nine-month delay in filing a petitioner's opening brief was insufficient to establish presumed prejudice under Doggett). Accordingly, Petitioner's due process claim as a result of appellate delay must be denied at this time.

Petitioner's ineffective-assistance-of-counsel claim must also fail. In <u>Harris</u>, 15 F.3d at 1569, the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals held that once counsel files an appellate brief any

ineffectiveness because of delay ends. In addition, as the index from the trial transcript filed in the Court of Appeals indicates, the testimony of Petitioner, Louella Duncan, Randall Duncan, Brenda Flynn, Chuck [Charlie] Stotts was in fact recorded and made part of the record on appeal. Accordingly, any relief based on ineffective assistance of counsel is foreclosed.

Petitioner's application for a writ of habeas corpus is hereby denied.

SO ORDERED THIS

day of

1995.

THOMAS R. BRETT, Chief Judge UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

RODNEY C. McCullough,

Petitioner,

No. 94-C-286-B

RON CHAMPION,

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Richard M. Lawrence, Court Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT

ORDER

Respondent.

At issue before the Court is Petitioner's pro se petition for a writ of habeas pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. In his petition, Petitioner raises, among other issues, delays associated with prosecuting and deciding his direct criminal appeal before the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals. Respondent has filed a Rule 5 response. For the reasons stated below, the Court concludes that the petition should be denied.

I. BACKGROUND

On June 19, 1990, Petitioner was found guilty by a jury of murder in the first degree and sentenced to life imprisonment in Case No. CRF-90-1475, Tulsa County District Court. A petition in error was timely filed on December 31, 1990. Petitioner's counsel filed a direct appeal brief on January 9, 1992, and the State filed its response brief on March 9, 1993. As of the date of this order, no decision has been rendered by the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals.

On March 25, 1994, Petitioner filed the instant petition, alleging inordinate delay in the filing and processing of his



direct criminal appeal. Petitioner also alleged a claim raised by counsel on direct appeal--i.e., that the evidence of his guilt was insufficient--and a new claim not embodied in his direct appeal--i.e., that the prosecution improperly withheld exculpatory evidence.

In the Rule 5 response, Respondent argues that while there has undoubtedly been a delay in the disposition of Petitioner's direct appeal, Petitioner has failed to show any prejudice which would warrant a finding that a substantive due process violation has occurred. Aside from the due process claim, Respondent contends that Petitioner has submitted a claim not previously raised on appeal and therefore that the petition should be dismissed as a mixed petition.

II. ANALYSIS

As a preliminary matter this Court must address whether Petitioner meets the exhaustion requirement of 28 U.S.C. § 2254(b) and (c). Because Petitioner has alleged, among other issues, inordinate delay in the processing of his direct criminal appeal, the Court turns to Harris v. Champion, 15 F.3d 1538 (10th Cir. 1994), to determine whether exhaustion should be excused in this In Harris, the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals noted that "the state appellate process should be presumed to be ineffective and, therefore, exhaustion should presumptively be excused, when a petitioner's direct criminal appeal has been pending for two years resolution absent constitutionally sufficient without a

justification by the State." Id. at 1556.

The only justification the Respondent offers for the delay in adjudicating Petitioner's appeal is the Court of Appeals ever increasing caseload. Respondent also submits that because Petitioner is represented by the Tulsa County Public Defender's office, a systemic delay in the preparation of direct appeals by the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System is not presented. The Petitioner has not responded to these contentions.

Even if the first nineteen months of delay cannot be considered because Petitioner was represented by the Tulsa County Public Defender's Office instead of the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System, more than two years of unjustified delay have passed without Petitioner's appeal being adjudicated. Under these circumstances, the Court finds that excusing Petitioner's failure to exhaust state remedies is appropriate. See Taylor v. Hargett, 27 F.3d 483 (10th Cir. 1994).

As the Circuit discussed in <u>Harris</u>, however, "proceeding directly to the merits of a petitioner's claims after excusing exhaustion may not be the preferred course of action, or even an effective one." <u>Id.</u> at 1557. The Court will, therefore, dismiss without prejudice Petitioner's non-delay claims and consider whether the delay in adjudicating Petitioner's direct appeal gives rise to an independent due process claim. <u>Id.</u>

In determining whether inordinate delay in adjudicating Petitioner's direct criminal appeal violated his substantive due process rights, this Court must balance the following factors:

- a. the length of the delay;
- b. the reason for the delay and whether that reason is justified;
- c. whether the petitioner asserted his right to a timely appeal; and
- d. whether the delay prejudiced the petitioner by
 - i. causing the petitioner to suffer oppressive incarceration pending appeal; or
 - ii. causing the petitioner to suffer constitutionally cognizable anxiety and concern awaiting the outcome of his or her appeal; or
 - iii. impairing the petitioner's grounds for appeal or his or her defense in the event of a reversal and retrial.

<u>Harris</u>, 15 F.3d at 1559. Even though a court is required to balance all four factors, "ordinarily, a petitioner must make some showing on the fourth factor--prejudice--to establish a due process violation." Id.

In his reply and "Factual Information" sheet (docs. #9 and #11), Petitioner merely alleges that a delay of more than two years over and above the initial two-year period is sufficient ground in and of itself to reduce his conviction to second degree murder. The Court disagrees. The Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals has specifically stated that prejudice cannot be presumed from delay alone "absent a delay so excessive as to trigger the <u>Doggett</u> presumption of prejudice." <u>Harris</u>, 15 F.3d 1538, 1565. Although Petitioner has suffered substantial delay in adjudicating his appeal, the Court does not believe that the delay in this case has been sufficiently long to trigger a presumption of prejudice under <u>Doggett v. United States</u>, 112 S.Ct. 2686 (1992). <u>Cf. Taylor</u>, 27

F.3d at 483, 486 (10th Cir. 1994) (where a two-year and nine-month delay in filing a petitioner's opening brief was insufficient to establish presumed prejudice under <u>Doggett</u>). Because Petitioner has not established prejudice with particularity, he has failed to establish any prejudice arising from the delay in adjudicating his appeal and the Court must conclude that the delay does not give rise to an independent due process claim.

III. CONCLUSION

Petitioner's application for a writ of habeas corpus on the basis of appellate delay alone is **denied**, and Petitioner's non-delay claims are hereby **dismissed without prejudice** to Petitioner filing a separate pro se action to pursue any other constitutional claims he might have. See Rule 9 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in the District Court; McKlesky v. Zant, 499 U.S. 467 (1991).

SO ORDERED THIS

day of

1995.

THOMAS R. BRETT, Chief Judge UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

ENTERED ON DOCKET

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

FRED E. MASSINGALE,

Petitioner,

VS.

MICHAEL CODY, et al.,

Respondent.

No. 93-C-83-B

ORDER

Before the Court is Petitioner's notice of appeal filed on November 25, 1994. Petitioner desires to appeal the decision and order of this Court denying his motion for reconsideration, entered on November 4, 1994. The Petitioner is proceeding in forma pauperis.

28 U.S.C. § 2253 requires a petitioner to obtain a certificate of probable cause before appealing a final order in a habeas corpus proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. To receive a certificate of probable cause, a petitioner must "make a 'substantial showing of the denial of [a] federal right.'" Lozada v. Deeds, 498 U.S. 430, 431 (1991) (per curiam) (quoting Barefoot v. Estelle, 463 U.S. 880, 893 (1983). A petitioner can satisfy this standard by demonstrating that the issues raised are debatable among jurists, that a court could resolve the issues differently, or that the questions deserve further proceedings. Barefoot, 463 U.S. at 893. The Tenth Circuit applies the same standard. See Stevenson v. Thornburgh, 943 F.2d 1214, 1216 (10th Cir. 1991).

After carefully considering the record in this case, the Court

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concludes that a certificate of probable cause should not issue in this case because the Petitioner has not made a substantial showing that he was denied a federal right. The record is devoid of any authority demonstrating that the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals could resolve the issue differently.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of probable cause is denied. See Fed. R. App. P. 22(b).

SO ORDERED THIS

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1995.

THOMAS R. BRETT, Chief Judge UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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JERRY LEON ELLIS,)	Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT HORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
Plaintiff,)	
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vs.)	No. 94-C-987-BU
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RONALD J. CHAMPION, et al.,)	A Martine Control of the Control of
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Defendants.)	0.00 1-19-95

ORDER

On November 2, 1994, the Court denied Plaintiff's motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis and advised Petitioner that the Court would dismiss the above captioned case unless Plaintiff paid the \$120.00 filing fee within thirty days from the date of entry of the order. The Plaintiff has not paid the filing fee.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff's complaint is dismissed without prejudice for failure to pay the filing fee. See Local Rule 5.1(F).

so ordered this /8 day of _______, 1995.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT/JUDGE

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NORTHERN	DISTRICT OF	OKLAHOMA
AARON BURROWS,		
Plaintiff,		MENT IN A CIVIL CASE
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IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that	Judgment is entered i	n favor of the Defendants
City of Tulsa, Oklahoma and P. W.	Calhoun and against t	he Plaintiff, Aaron Burrows.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that cos	sts are assessed again	st the Plaintiff, if timely
application is filed pursuant to	Local Rule 54.1(A).	
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each	ch party shall pay the	ir own respective attorney
fees.		
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Date		R. BRETT, CHIEF JUDGE DISTRICT COURT
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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IN RE:

5000 SKELLY CORPORATION,

Debtor.

CASE NO. 90-2657-C

(Chapter 7)

FIGGIE ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION,

Appellant,

Adversary Proceeding

No. 91-332-C ENTERED ON DOCKET

vs.

ABATEMENT SYSTEMS, INC.,

Appellee.

District Court Case No. 92-C-1100-B

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

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DATE

COME NOW the parties to the above entitled action, and hereby stipulate and agree, pursuant to Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 42(b), that this action should be and hereby is dismissed, together with any and all claims, counterclaims or other causes of action, which have been asserted in this action, or which are capable of assertion in some future action, with prejudice to the right of refiling the same, for the reason and upon the grounds that the parties hereto have finally settled and resolved all claims and matters between them. Each party shall bear his or its own costs of this action and attorneys' fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that on this day of January, 1995, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was mailed postage prepaid, to:

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Thomas P. Nally

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

MARION PARKER,)
Plaintiff,	,)
vs.) Case No. 92-C-664-B
BANCOKLAHOMA MORTG. CO.;	ENTERED ON DOCKET
HARRY MORTG. CO.; BRUMBAUGH & FULTON; COMMONWEALTH MORTG.	DATE JAN 1 9 1995
CO.; FIRST MORTG. CO.; NORWEST	PIT-
MORTG. CO.; BOATMEN'S FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OKLAHOMA;	$\{ \mathbf{F} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{D} \}$
MORTGAGE CLEARING CORP.; and DEPT. OF HOUSING AND URBAN) } }
DEVELOPMENT,	Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT
Defendants.) JUSTRICT COURT

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

COMES NOW the Plaintiff Marion Parker, and the Defendants BancOklahoma Mortgage Corp., Harry Mortgage Co., Brumbaugh & Fulton Co., Boatmen's First National Bank of Oklahoma, Mortgage Clearing Corp., and Bank United of Texas, FSB, and file a stipulation of dismissal with prejudice, pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1), Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over Marion Parker, BancOklahoma Mortgage Corp., Boatmen's First National Bank of Oklahoma and Mortgage Clearing Corp. to supervise the settlement until December 31, 1995.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on this $\frac{10}{100}$ day of January, 1995, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was mailed, with full and sufficient postage affixed thereon, to:

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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) Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk) U.S. DISTRICT COURT
) CASE NO. 90-02657-C
) (Chapter 7)
)) Adversary Proceeding
) No. 91-0332-C
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) District Court) Case No. 92-C-540-B

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

COME NOW the parties to the above entitled action, and hereby stipulate and agree, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(ii), that this action should be and hereby is dismissed, together with any and all claims, counterclaims or other causes of action, which have been asserted in this action, or which are capable of assertion in some future action, with prejudice to the right of refiling the same, for the reason and upon the grounds that the parties hereto have finally settled and resolved all claims and matters between them. Each party shall bear his or its own costs of this action and attorneys' fees.

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ABATEMENT SYSTEMS, INC.

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(Title) President

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on the \(\int \sigma \) day of January, 1995, I mailed a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice, with proper postage fully prepaid thereon, to:

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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	Plaintiff,	U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
vs. TANKINETICS, INC.	Case No. 94-C-326-K	
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) DATE	
	Defendant.	

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL

COME NOW the parties, Heather Dawn Hall, Plaintiff, and Tankinetics, Inc., Defendant, and pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(ii) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, hereby file this Stipulation of Dismissal. The parties agree that all causes of action asserted in this lawsuit on behalf of the plaintiff against the defendant are dismissed. The parties have agreed that each party will be responsible for its own costs and attorneys fees incurred in the above captioned lawsuit.

This Stipulation of Dismissal is signed by counsel for the parties who have appeared in this action after the parties have been fully informed of the effects of such dismissal.

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I hereby certify that on the 16 day of November, 1994, I mailed a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing instrument to the following attorney of record:

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In the united states district court for $\mathbf{Fe}\,\mathbf{I}\,\,\mathbf{L}\,\,\mathbf{E}\,\,\mathbf{D}$ northern district of oklahoma

RADCO, INC.	Pichard M. Lawrence, Clerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
Plaintiff,	
vs.) Case No. 92-C-1034-E
MAYHAN FABRICATORS, INC.)
Defendant,)
and	
LITWIN ENGINEERS & CONSTRUCTORS, INC.	JAN 1 8 1995 a
Plaintiff in Intervention	
vs.	
GLASS DESIGN, INC., an Oklahoma corporation, and CALLIDUS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,))))
Defendants in Intervention.)

ORDER AND JUDGMENT

This cause came on for hearing January 6, 1995, upon the pending Motion for Summary Judgment by Callidus Technologies, Inc. ("Callidus") against Radco, Inc. ("Radco") and upon the oral motion for judgment by Callidus against Radco. Callidus appeared by its attorney Kari S. McKee. Radco appeared by its attorney Larry D. Leonard. Litwin Engineers and Constructors, Inc. appeared by its attorney John H. Tucker.

Having heard the arguments of counsel and examined the matters and evidence presented in the court file and the parties' briefs, the Court finds: (1) this Court has subject matter

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jurisdiction over Callidus' claim against Radco; (2) this Court has personal jurisdiction over Radco with regard to Callidus' claim against Radco; (3) there is no dispute as to any material fact regarding Callidus' claim against Radco and the facts alleged by Callidus in its claim against Radco are true and correct; and (4) judgment in favor of Callidus against Radco, as requested, is warranted and proper.

Accordingly, the Court hereby ORDERS, ADJUDGES AND DECREES that Callidus, Inc., is granted judgment against Radco, Inc. in the amount of \$43,615.00, plus interest, costs and attorneys fees, less \$25,121.76 (the amount distributed by the Clerk of this Court to Callidus from the funds interplead by Litwin Engineers and Constructors, Inc.).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Radco shall have ten days from the date of the hearing, or until January 16, 1995, to file an Application for Leave to Assert a Cross-Claim against Litwin Engineers and Constructors, Inc. Litwin shall have ten days from and after the filing of that Application to respond.

DATED this 17 day of January, 1995.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

APPROVED AND AGREED:

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Rhodes, Hieronymus, Jones

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

WILLIS J. WALKER; ANNIE WALKER;)
LOCAL AMERICA BANK OF TULSA)
successor by merger to)
MIDAMERICA FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN)
ASSOCIATION; COUNTY TREASURER,)
Tulsa County, Oklahoma;)
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,)
Tulsa County, Oklahoma,)

Defendants.

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Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-C 185E

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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NOW on this 18th day of January, 1995, there comes on for hearing before the Magistrate Judge the Motion of the United States of America to confirm the sale made by the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma on October 24, 1994, pursuant to an Order of Sale dated August 23, 1994, of the following described property located in Tulsa County, Oklahoma:

Lot Eight (8), Block Six (6), NORTHGATE SECOND ADDITION to the City of Tulsa, Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof;

Appearing for the United States of America is Loretta F. Radford, Assistant United States Attorney. Notice was given the Defendants, Willis J. Walker through his Attorney H.W. Conyers, Local America Bank of Tulsa successor by merger to Midamerica Federal Savings and Loan through its General Counsel Alan L. Pollock, and to County Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma and Board of County Commissioners, Tulsa County, Oklahoma through

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Assistant District Attorney Dick A. Blakeley, by mail, and they do not appear. Upon hearing, the Magistrate Judge makes the following report and recommendation.

The Magistrate Judge has examined the proceedings of the United States Marshal under the Order of Sale. Upon statement of counsel and examination of the court file, the Magistrate Judge finds that due and legal notice of the sale was given by publication once a week for at least four weeks prior to the date of sale in the Tulsa Daily Commerce and Legal News, a newspaper published and of general circulation in Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and that on the day fixed in the notice the property was sold to the United States of America on behalf of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, it being the highest bidder. The Magistrate Judge further finds that the sale was in all respects in conformity with the law and judgment of this Court.

It is therefore the recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge that the United States Marshal's Sale and all proceedings under the Order of Sale be hereby approved and confirmed and that the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma make and execute to the purchaser, the United States of America on behalf of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, a good and sufficient deed for the property.

It is the further recommendation of the Magistrate

Judge that subsequent to the execution and delivery of the Deed

to the purchaser by the United State Marshal, the purchaser be

granted possession of the property against any or all persons now in possession.

S/JEFFREY S. WOLFE U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

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Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Civil Action No. 94-C 185E

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

JAN 18 1995

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

FRANK LEE WYRICK; SHARON KAY WYRICK; WELLS FARGO CREDIT CORPORATION; COUNTY TREASURER, Tulsa County, Oklahoma; BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, Tulsa County, Oklahoma,

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JAN 18 1995

Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-C 213E

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

NOW on this 18th day of January, 1995, there comes on for hearing before the Magistrate Judge the Motion of the United States of America to confirm the sale made by the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma on December 6, 1994, pursuant to an Order of Sale dated September 29, 1994, of the following described property located in Tulsa County, Oklahoma:

Lot Seven (7), Block Seven (7), LAYMAN ACRES, an Addition in Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, according to the Recorded Plat thereof.

Appearing for the United States of America is Loretta F. Radford, Assistant United States Attorney. Notice was given the Defendants, Wells Fargo Credit Corporation through its Attorney Kenneth G. Miles, and to County Treasurer and Board of County Commissioners through Assistant District Attorney Dick A. Blakeley, by mail, and they do not appear. Upon hearing, the Magistrate Judge makes the following report and recommendation.

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The Magistrate Judge has examined the proceedings of the United States Marshal under the Order of Sale. Upon statement of counsel and examination of the court file, the Magistrate Judge finds that due and legal notice of the sale was given by publication once a week for at least four weeks prior to the date of sale in the Tulsa Daily Commerce and Legal News, a newspaper published and of general circulation in Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and that on the day fixed in the notice the property was sold to the United States of America on behalf of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, it being the highest bidder. The Magistrate Judge further finds that the sale was in all respects in conformity with the law and judgment of this Court.

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Civil Action No. 94-C 213E

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

Vs.

DELORES J. PATTON; CITY OF
GLENPOOL, Oklahoma; COUNTY
TREASURER, Tulsa County;
Oklahoma; BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS, Tulsa County,
Oklahoma,

Defendants.

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-C 315E

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

NOW on this 18th day of January, 1995, there comes on for hearing before the Magistrate Judge the Motion of the United States of America to confirm the sale made by the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma on October 24, 1994, pursuant to an Order of Sale dated September 1, 1994, of the following described property located in Tulsa County, Oklahoma:

Lot Twelve (12), Block Four (4), GLENN RIDGE, an Addition to the City of Glenpool, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof.

Appearing for the United States of America is Loretta F. Radford, Assistant United States Attorney. Notice was given the Defendants, City of Glenpool through its Mayor Don Bahmaier and to County Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma and Board of County Commissioners, Tulsa County, Oklahoma through Assistant District Attorney Dick A. Blakeley, by mail, and they do not appear. Upon hearing, the Magistrate Judge makes the following report and recommendation.

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The Magistrate Judge has examined the proceedings of the United States Marshal under the Order of Sale. Upon statement of counsel and examination of the court file, the Magistrate Judge finds that due and legal notice of the sale was given by publication once a week for at least four weeks prior to the date of sale in the Tulsa Daily Commerce and Legal News, a newspaper published and of general circulation in Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and that on the day fixed in the notice the property was sold to the United States of America on behalf of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, it being the highest bidder. The Magistrate Judge further finds that the sale was in all respects in conformity with the law and judgment of this Court.

It is therefore the recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge that the United States Marshal's Sale and all proceedings under the Order of Sale be hereby approved and confirmed and that the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma make and execute to the purchaser, the United States of America on behalf of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, a good and sufficient deed for the property.

It is the further recommendation of the Magistrate

Judge that subsequent to the execution and delivery of the Deed

to the purchaser by the United State Marshal, the purchaser be

granted possession of the property against any or all persons

now in possession.

SIJEFFREY S. WOLFE
MAGISTRATE JUDGE

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

STEPHEN C. LEWIS

United States Attorney

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Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Civil Action No. 94-C 315E

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

Vs.

Plaintiff,

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Richard Lawrence, Clerk

JOHN W. RUTHERFORD; CARMEN L.

RUTHERFORD; JOHN E. MAEHR;

MARY MAEHR; STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

ex rel. OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION;

HILLCREST MEDICAL CENTER;

COUNTY TREASURER, Tulsa County,

Oklahoma; BOARD OF COUNTY

COMMISSIONERS, Tulsa County,

Oklahoma,

Defendants.) CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-C 420E

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

NOW on this 18th day of January, 1995, there comes on for hearing before the Magistrate Judge the Motion of the United States of America to confirm the sale made by the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma on October 31, 1994, pursuant to an Order of Sale dated September 7, 1994, of the following described property located in Tulsa County, Oklahoma:

LOT THIRTY-THREE (33), BLOCK ONE (1), SANS SOUCI ADDITION TO THE CITY OF TULSA, TULSA COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

Appearing for the United States of America is Loretta F. Radford, Assistant United States Attorney. Notice was given the Defendants, John W. Rutherford, Carmen L. Rutherford, John E. Maehr, Mary Maehr, State of Oklahoma ex rel Oklahoma Tax Commission through its Assistant General Counsel Kim D. Ashley,

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Hillcrest Medical Center through its Attorney Daniel M. Webb, and to County Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma and Board of County Commissioners, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, by mail, and they do not appear. Upon hearing, the Magistrate Judge makes the following report and recommendation.

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U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

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Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Civil Action No. 94-C 420E

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JACK D. SCRAPER; BETTY SUE)
SCRAPER; COUNTY TREASURER, Tulsa)
County, Oklahoma;)
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,)
Tulsa County, Oklahoma,)

Defendants.

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Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT NORTH OF THIS OF OXIAHOMA

CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-C 551E

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

NOW on this 18th day of January, 1995, there comes on for hearing before the Magistrate Judge the Motion of the United States of America to confirm the sale made by the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma on October 24, 1995, pursuant to an Order of Sale dated August 23, 1994, of the following described property located in Tulsa County, Oklahoma:

Lot Six (6), Block Twenty-two (22), of Blocks 19 thru 25, WAGON WHEEL ADDITION, a Subdivision in Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, according to the recorded Plat thereof.

Appearing for the United States of America is Loretta F. Radford, Assistant United States Attorney. Notice was given the Defendants, Jack D. Scraper, Betty Sue Scraper, and to County Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma and Board of County Commissioners, Tulsa County, Oklahoma through Assistant District Attorney Dick A. Blakeley, by mail, and they do not appear. Upon hearing, the Magistrate Judge makes the following report and recommendation.

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now in possession.

S/JEFFREY S. WOLVE U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

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Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Civil Action No. 94-C 551E

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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PATRICIA VUOCOLO,)
Plaintiff,	DATE 1 1995
vs.) Case No. 94-C-1099-K
WESTERN BUSINESS PRODUCTS, INC., an Oklahoma Corporation, and LESTER SCARBROUGH, a/k/a LES SCARBROUGH, individually,	FILED
Defendants.	10/10 A Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT

COMES NOW Plaintiff, Patricia Vuocolo, by and through her attorney Richard P. Poormon of RIGGS, ABNEY, NEAL, TURPEN, ORBISON & LEWIS, and hereby dismisses

Plaintiff's Title VII claim against Defendant Lester Scarbrough, individually, only.

PLAINTIFF'S DISMISSAL OF TITLE VII CLAIM AGAINST DEFENDANT LESTER SCARBROUGH, ONLY

Respectfully submitted,

RIGGS, ABNEY, NEAL, TURPEN, ORBISON & LEWIS

By

Righard P. Poormon, OBA #11154

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ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that on the 18 day of January, 1995, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing instrument was mailed, postage prepaid, to the following counsel of record:

Carl D. Hall, Jr., Esq. S.M. Fallis, Jr., Esq. Nichols, Wolfe, Stamper, Nally, Fallis & Robertson, Inc. Suite 400 Old City Hall 124 E. 4th St. Tulsa, OK 74103-5010

Richard P. Poormon

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT A. SHOWLER; TAMMY N. SHOWLER; CITY OF BROKEN ARROW, Oklahoma; COUNTY TREASURER, Tulsa County, Oklahoma; BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, Tulsa County, Oklahoma,

Defendants.

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Richard M. Lawrence, Court Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT

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DATE 1-18-95

CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-C 538B

JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE

This matter comes on for consideration this day of ..., 1995. The Plaintiff appears by Stephen C.

Lewis, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma, through Neal B. Kirkpatrick, Assistant United States Attorney; the Defendants, County Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and Board of County Commissioners, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, appear by Dick A. Blakeley, Assistant District Attorney, Tulsa County, Oklahoma; the Defendant, City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, appears by Michael R. Vanderburg, City Attorney; and the Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, appear not, but make default.

The Court being fully advised and having examined the court file finds that the Defendant, Robert A. Showler, waived service of Summons on June 16, 1994, which was filed on June 17, 1994; and that the Defendant, City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, acknowledged receipt of Summons and Complaint via Certified Mail on May 26, 1994.

The Court further finds that the Defendant, Tammy N. Showler, was served by publishing notice of this action in the Tulsa Daily Commerce & Legal News, a newspaper of general circulation in Tulsa County, Oklahoma, once a week for six (6) consecutive weeks beginning October 13, 1994, and continuing through November 17, 1994, as more fully appears from the verified proof of publication duly filed herein; and that this action is one in which service by publication is authorized by 12 O.S. Section 2004(c)(3)(c). Counsel for the Plaintiff does not know and with due diligence cannot ascertain the whereabouts of the Defendant, Tammy N. Showler, and service cannot be made upon said Defendant within the Northern Judicial District of Oklahoma or the State of Oklahoma by any other method, or upon said Defendant without the Northern Judicial District of Oklahoma or the State of Oklahoma by any other method, as more fully appears from the evidentiary affidavit of a bonded abstracter filed herein with respect to the last known address of the Defendant, Tammy N. Showler. The Court conducted an inquiry into the sufficiency of the service by publication to comply with due process of law and based upon the evidence presented together with affidavit and documentary evidence finds that the Plaintiff, United States of America, acting through the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and its attorneys, Stephen C. Lewis, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma, through Neal B. Kirkpatrick, Assistant United States Attorney, fully exercised due diligence in ascertaining the true name and identity of the party served by publication with respect to her

present or last known place of residence and/or mailing address. The Court accordingly approves and confirms that the service by publication is sufficient to confer jurisdiction upon this Court to enter the relief sought by the Plaintiff, both as to subject matter and the Defendant served by publication.

It appears that the Defendants, County Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and Board of County Commissioners, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, filed their Answer on June 9, 1994; that the Defendant, City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, filed its Answer on June 3, 1994; and that the Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, have failed to answer and their default has therefore been entered by the Clerk of this Court.

The Court further finds that this is a suit based upon a certain mortgage note and for foreclosure of a mortgage securing said mortgage note upon the following described real property located in Tulsa County, Oklahoma, within the Northern Judicial District of Oklahoma:

Lot Four (4), Block Nine (9), ARROW SPRINGS PARK, an Addition to the City of Broken Arrow, Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma, according to the recorded Plat thereof.

The Court further finds that on February 17, 1983, James T. Joyce and Janice A. Joyce, executed and delivered to LIBERTY MORTGAGE COMPANY their mortgage note in the amount of \$56,600.00, payable in monthly installments, with interest thereon at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum.

The Court further finds that as security for the payment of the above-described note, James T. Joyce and Janice A.

Joyce, husband and wife, executed and delivered to LIBERTY MORTGAGE COMPANY a mortgage dated February 17, 1983, covering the above-described property. Said mortgage was recorded on February 25, 1983, in Book 4671, Page 1041, in the records of Tulsa County, Oklahoma.

The Court further finds that on March 31, 1986, Liberty Mortgage Company assigned the above-described mortgage note and mortgage to GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION OF IOWA. This Assignment of Mortgage was recorded on April 4, 1986, in Book 4933, Page 3174, in the records of Tulsa County, Oklahoma.

The Court further finds that on December 11, 1990, GMAC Mortgage Corporation of Iowa assigned the above-described mortgage note and mortgage to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development of Washington, DC., his successors and assigns. This Assignment of Mortgage was recorded on December 17, 1990, in Book 5294, Page 791, in the records of Tulsa County, Oklahoma.

The Court further finds that the Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, currently hold the record title to the property by virtue of a General Warranty Deed dated August 14, 1989, and recorded on August 18, 1989 in Book 5201, Page 2524, in the record of Tulsa County, Oklahoma. The Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, are the current assumptors of the subject indebtedness.

The Court further finds that on July 1, 1990, the Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, entered into an agreement with the Plaintiff lowering the amount of the monthly installments due under the note in exchange for the

Plaintiff's forbearance of its right to foreclose. A superseding agreement was reached between these same parties on August 1, 1991, February 1, 1992, and October 1, 1992.

The Court further finds that the Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, made default under the terms of the aforesaid note and mortgage, as well as the terms and conditions of the forbearance agreements, by reason of their failure to make the monthly installments due thereon, which default has continued, and that by reason thereof the Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, are indebted to the Plaintiff in the principal sum of \$75,310.82, plus interest at the rate of 12 percent per annum from May 16, 1994 until judgment, plus interest thereafter at the legal rate until fully paid, and the costs of this action.

The Court further finds that the Defendant, County

Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, has a lien on the property

which is the subject matter of this action by virtue of personal

property taxes in the amount of \$41.00 which became a lien on the

property as of June 23, 1994. Said lien is inferior to the

interest of the Plaintiff, United States of America.

The Court further finds that the Defendant, City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, has no right, title, or interest in the subject real property except insofar as it is the lawful holder of certain easements as shown on the duly recorded plat.

The Court further finds that the Defendant, Board of County Commissioners, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, claims no right, title or interest in the subject real property.

The Court further finds that the Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, are in default, and have no right, title or interest in the subject real property.

The Court further finds that pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1710(1) there shall be no right of redemption (including in all instances any right to possession based upon any right of redemption) in the mortgagor or any other person subsequent to the foreclosure sale.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Plaintiff, the United States of America, acting on behalf of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, have and recover judgment in rem against the Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, in the principal sum of \$75,310.82, plus interest at the rate of 12 percent per annum from May 16, 1994 until judgment, plus interest thereafter at the current legal rate of 7.22 percent per annum until paid, plus the costs of this action, plus any additional sums advanced or to be advanced or expended during this foreclosure action by Plaintiff for taxes, insurance, abstracting, or sums for the preservation of the subject property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Defendant, County Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, have and recover judgment in the amount of \$41.00 for personal property taxes for the year 1993, plus the costs of this action.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Defendant, City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, has no right, title or interest in the subject real property, except insofar as it is

the lawful holder of certain easements as shown on the duly recorded plat.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Defendants, Robert A. Showler, Tammy N. Showler and Board of County Commissioners, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, have no right, title, or interest in the subject real property.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that upon the failure of said Defendants, Robert A. Showler and Tammy N. Showler, to satisfy the in rem judgment of the Plaintiff herein, an Order of Sale shall be issued to the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma, commanding him to advertise and sell according to Plaintiff's election with or without appraisement the real property involved herein and apply the proceeds of the sale as follows:

First:

In payment of the costs of this action accrued and accruing incurred by the Plaintiff, including the costs of sale of said real property;

Second:

In payment of the judgment rendered herein in favor of the Plaintiff;

Third:

In payment of Defendant, County Treasurer, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, in the amount of \$41.00, personal property taxes which are currently due and owing.

The surplus from said sale, if any, shall be deposited with the Clerk of the Court to await further Order of the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1710(1) there shall be no right of redemption (including in all instances any right to possession based upon any right of redemption) in the mortgagor or any other person subsequent to the foreclosure sale.

and after the sale of the above-described real property, under and by virtue of this judgment and decree, all of the Defendants and all persons claiming under them since the filing of the Complaint, be and they are forever barred and foreclosed of any right, title, interest or claim in or to the subject real property or any part thereof.

SI THOMAS R. BRETT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

APPROVED:

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Judgment of Foreclosure Civil Action No. 94-C 538B

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

GEO-GRAPHICS, INC.,	HICHER M. LAWRENCE, CHERK U.S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
Plaintiff,	
vs.) Case No. 93-C-116-B
GLOBAL GRAPHICS, INC., et al)
Defendants.)

JUDGMENT DISMISSING ACTION BY REASON OF SETTLEMENT

The Court has been advised by counsel that this action has been settled, or is in the process of being settled. Therefore, it is not necessary that the action remain upon the calendar of the Court.

IT IS ORDERED that the action is dismissed without prejudice. The Court retains complete jurisdiction to vacate this Order and to reopen the action upon cause shown that settlement has not been completed and further litigation is necessary.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk forthwith serve copies of this Judgment by United States mail upon the attorneys for the parties appearing in this action.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 17th day of January, 1995.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT

ENTERED ON DOCKET DATE 1-18-95

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

ALLEN DUNN,)		1 1/11/15
Petitioner,)		Figure Colombia
vs.)	No. 92-C-904-C	
STATE OF OKLAHOMA, et al.,)		gr e
Respondents.	'n		JAN 1 8 1995

ORDER

At issue before the Court for a decision is Petitioner's application for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner, pro se, challenges the revocation of his parole on due process grounds. Respondent has filed a response and a supplemental response to which Petitioner has replied. As more fully set out below, the Court concludes that Petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus should be denied.

I. BACKGROUND

On April 5, 1983, petitioner pleaded guilty to the charge of robbery with firearms, after former conviction of a felony, in the District Court of Tulsa County, Case No. CRF-82-4539. On May 25, 1983, the district court sentenced Petitioner to nineteen years imprisonment. Petitioner did not perfect a direct appeal and on June 1, 1983, he was received in the Oklahoma Department of Corrections to begin serving his sentence. On October 26, 1987, Petitioner was paroled and pursuant to the Uniform Act for Out-of-state Parolee Supervision, found at Okla. Stat. tit. 57, § 347 et seq., was sent to the State of Kansas to serve his parole. (August

22, 1989 Interstate Investigation Request, part of ex. A attached to Respondent's Supplemental Response doc. #25.)

While in Kansas, Petitioner tested positive for cocaine and marijuana use and was referred to drug treatment on September 12, 1988. (February 7, 1990 Case Report, part of ex. A attached to Respondent's Supplemental Response doc. #25.) A special condition that he complete the drug program and attend the "AA/NA twice a week" was later added to his parole. (Id.) However, on March 7 and May 26, 1989, Petitioner again tested positive for cocaine. Kansas authorities recommended to Oklahoma authorities that the Petitioner undergo in-patient counseling and advised Petitioner that another positive drug test would cause his case to be transferred back to Oklahoma. (Id.)

On July 10, 1989, Kansas authorities instructed Petitioner to return to Oklahoma because of his continued cocaine use. On September 22, 1989, an agreement was reached whereby supervision of Petitioner's case would be transferred to Oklahoma City until Kansas would again accept supervision over the Petitioner. On September 26, 1989, however, Kansas authorities notified Officer Wedgeworth, in Oklahoma City, that they would not accept supervision of Petitioner until he had completed long term inpatient drug treatment. (Id.)

Thereafter Officer Wedgeworth permitted Petitioner to return to Kansas for thirty days to take care of personal business. Although Petitioner returned to Oklahoma as instructed, he failed to report to his parole officer during the subsequent months. (<u>Id.</u>) On December 7, 1989, Officer Wedgeworth contacted the Petitioner's sister and learned that the Petitioner had returned to Kansas with his brother on December 3, 1989. On January 22, 1990, the Petitioner contacted Officer Wedgeworth by phone and informed her that he planned to stay in Kansas. Wedgeworth informed the Petitioner at that time that he was in violation of his parole for leaving the State of Oklahoma without permission and for changing his address without first notifying her. On February 7, 1990, Officer Wedgeworth prepared a violation report and requested that a warrant be issued for Petitioner's arrest.¹ The warrant was issued on March 3, 1990. (<u>Id.</u>)

On October 26, 1990, Petitioner was arrested by the Wichita State University Police Department on the basis of the Oklahoma warrant and detained at the Sedgwick County Jail. (November 26, 1990 Case Report, part of ex. A attached to Respondent's Supplemental Response, doc. #25.) Petitioner waived extradition and on November 21, 1990, he was transported by an Oklahoma Officer to the Oklahoma County Jail where he was served with Notice of Probable Cause Hearing and Executive Revocation Hearing. (Id.) Petitioner signed a waiver of probable cause hearing, but reserved his right to an executive revocation hearing which was held four months later on March 21, 1991, at Oklahoma State Penitentiary. (Id.; Notice of Probable Cause Hearing and Executive Revocation

¹Petitioner was cited for the following violations: (a) failing to report to parole officer; (b) failing to report his change of address; (c) leaving the state without permission; and (d) failing to submit parole fees of \$10.00 since November of 1987.

Hearing, part of ex. A attached to Respondent's Supplemental Response doc. #25.) A summary of the revocation proceeding, recommending revocation of Petitioner's parole, was forwarded to Governor David Walters on April 19, 1991. The Governor signed the certificate of parole revocation and denied any credit for street time on June 10, 1991.

Petitioner immediately filed an application for post-conviction relief, alleging among other issues that the revocation hearing was not conducted within a reasonable time. On May 1, 1992, the district court found that the four-month delay between the time Petitioner waived his preliminary hearing and the time of his parole revocation hearing was reasonable. In the alternative, the district court concluded that Petitioner had failed to indicate any prejudice as a result of the delay and the Court concluded that it could find none. On August 19, 1992, the Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the district court's denial of post-conviction relief and found that Petitioner's waiver of a preliminary hearing upon his return to Oklahoma amounted to the relinquishment of his "right to subsequently complain of any failure to allow him a preliminary inquiry" in Kansas.

Next Petitioner filed a "motion to submit and consolidate" in the Court of Criminal Appeals. He sought to add to his appeal a claim that Okla. Stat. tit. 57, section 516 (enacted in 1987) was an ex post facto law that could not be used to prohibit him from accruing earned credits during the period he was re-incarcerated. On September 2, 1992, the Court of Appeals held that Petitioner's amended claim was not properly before the Court because it had not been presented to the district court. In the alternative, the Court held that, because Petitioner's parole violation and reincarceration occurred well after the 1987 amendment, section 516 was not an expost facto law as applied to the Petitioner.

In October 1992, Petitioner filed the present petition for a writ of habeas corpus.² He restated (1) that section 516 was an ex post facto law as applied to him and greatly prejudiced his case; (2) that no preliminary hearing was conducted in Wichita, Kansas (the place of arrest) on October 26, 1990, although he remained in the county jail there for twenty-eight days; and (3) that his revocation hearing was not conducted within a reasonable time.

II. ANALYSIS

As a preliminary matter, the Court must determine whether Petitioner meets the exhaustion requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 2254(b) and (c). See Rose v. Lundy, 455 U.S. 509 (1982). Respondent concedes, and this Court finds, that the Petitioner meets the exhaustion requirements under the law. The Court also finds that an evidentiary hearing is not necessary as the issues can be resolved on the basis of the record, see Townsend v. Sain, 372 U.S. 293, 318 (1963), overruled in part by Keeney v. Tamayo-Reyes, 112

²On October 15, 1992, the Court ordered Petitioner to resubmit his petition on the proper court-authorized form. [Docket #2.] Petitioner's amended petition on the court-authorized form was ultimately filed on December 14, 1992. [Docket #4.]

S. Ct. 1715 (1992).

A. Ex Post Facto Law

Even if Petitioner's first ground for relief were not procedurally barred, the Court concludes that Petitioner would not be entitled to relief. Prior to November 1, 1987, parolees who were awaiting a decision by the Governor on their parole revocation were incarcerated in a county jail and were allowed to earn credits. Okla. Stat. tit. 57, § 516 (1986 Supp.). In 1987, the Oklahoma Legislature amended section 516 to provide that a parolee after arrest shall be incarcerated in the nearest county jail as well as a facility of the Department of Corrections to await action of the Governor. Okla. Stat. tit. 57, § 516 (1987 Supp.). Section 516 was also amended to provide that "earned credits shall not be accrued during the period of time that the parolee is incarcerated pending action by the Governor."

Petitioner argues that the 1987 amendments to section 516 are an ex post facto law as applied to him. He alleges that the amendments to section 516 should not have been used to prohibit him from accruing earned credits from October 26, 1990, until June 10, 1991, (the period he was re-incarcerated as a result of his parole violation) because he was initially convicted in 1983 prior to the effective date of those amendments. The Court disagrees.

Because the 1987 amendments to section 516 do not affect acts which occurred before they came into force, that section is not an ex post facto law as applied to Petitioner. Devine v. New Mexico

Dept. of Corrections, 866 F.2d 339, 341 (10th Cir. 1989) (for a statute to be ex post facto, it must be applied retrospectively and it must disadvantage the offender affected by it). Petitioner's parole violation and the resulting incarceration for which he seeks earned credits occurred in 1989 and 1990, well after the legislature enacted the 1987 amendments to section 516. The fact that Petitioner was initially convicted in 1983 is irrelevant to the time he violated his parole.

Accordingly, Petitioner is not entitled to habeas relief on his first ground of error.

B. Preliminary/Probable Cause Hearing

In his second ground for relief, Petitioner argues that a preliminary hearing was not conducted in Kansas pursuant to the Out-of-state Parolee Supervision Act, Okla. Stat. tit. 57, § 349.1.³ Respondent submits that the provisions of the Out-of-state

³Section 349.1 provides as follows:

[&]quot;Where supervision of a parolee administered pursuant to the Interstate Compact for the Supervision of Parolees and Probationers, appropriate . authorities in this state shall notify the Compact Administrator of the sending state whenever, in their view, consideration should be given to retaking or reincarceration for a parole or probation violation. Prior to the giving of any such notification, a hearing shall be held in accordance with this action within a reasonable time, unless such hearing is waived by the parolee. . . The appropriate officer or officers of this state shall, as soon as practicable following termination of any such hearing, report to the sending state, furnish a copy of the hearing record and make recommendations regarding the disposition to be made of the parolee or probationer by the sending state. .

Parolee Supervision Act, including the hearing provision in section 349.1, do not apply to the Petitioner because, at the time of the parole violation and arrest, Petitioner was no longer an out-of-state parolee under that Act. This Court agrees.

As noted in the background section of this order, Petitioner did not commit the four enumerated parole violations until after September 26, 1989, when the state of Kansas had categorically refused to accept further supervision of Petitioner's case until after he had completed long term in-patient drug treatment. Petitioner was, therefore, under the supervision of Officer Wedgeworth in Oklahoma City at the time of his parole violations. The fact that Officer Wedgeworth permitted Petitioner to return to Kansas for thirty days in September and October 1989, does not support Petitioner's contention that he was in Kansas under the Out-of-state Parolee Supervision Act. Therefore, Petitioner was not entitled to a preliminary hearing in Kansas pursuant to section 349.1 because the Out-of-state Parolee Supervision Act was no longer applicable to him.⁴

⁴Even if Petitioner had not waived his right to a preliminary probable cause hearing upon arrival in Oklahoma, the Court concludes that Petitioner would not have been entitled to a preliminary probable cause hearing in Kansas under the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment. See Morrissey v. Brewer, 408 U.S. 471 (1972). Because obtaining permission before leaving Oklahoma was a condition of his parole, Petitioner's presence in Kansas without such permission was sufficient probable cause to believe that he had committed an act which constituted a violation of his parole. See Barton v. Malley, 626 F.2d 151, 159 (10th Cir. 1980).

C. Revocation Hearing

In his last ground for relief, Petitioner argues that he was denied due process by the unjustifiable delay in his parole revocation hearing. In Morrissey v. Brewer, 408 U.S. 471, 482 (1972), the United States Supreme Court held that in addition to a preliminary probable cause hearing, minimum due process requires a full revocation hearing before a neutral and detached hearing body for which the parolee has been given written notice of the claim of violations of parole, disclosure of the evidence against him, and an opportunity to be heard in person, to present witnesses, and to confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses. The Court also held that a revocation hearing must be held within a reasonable time after the parolee is taken into custody and found that a two-month delay was not unreasonable. Id. at 488.

In the present case, Petitioner was arrested and taken into custody in Kansas on October 26, 1990. His revocation hearing was not held until over four months later on March 21, 1991. The Court does not find such a delay unreasonable in this case. See Parker v. State, 795 P.2d 68, 70 (Kan. App. 1990) (holding that a delay of three and on-half months was neither unreasonable nor prejudicial).

Even if a four-month delay in providing a revocation hearing were unreasonable under Morrisey, habeas corpus relief is available to Petitioner only if he establishes that the delay was also prejudicial. Sutherland v. McCall, 709 F.2d 730, 732 (D. C. Cir. 1983); Carolton v. Keohane, 691 F.2d 992, 993 (11th Cir. 1982); Goodman v. Keohane, 663 F.2d 1044, 1046 (11th Cir. 1981), reh.

denied, 668 F.2d 536 (11th Cir. 1982). Petitioner argues that the delay was prejudicial in this case because of his inability to earn good-time credits or day-for-day credits. He also argues that he received misconduct reports during the delay in question and that earned credits were taken away. Respondent contends that inability to earn good-time credits or day-for-day credits during the delay does not constitute a sufficient showing of prejudice to warrant relief. This Court agrees. The state law in effect at the time of Petitioner's parole violation specifically provided that earned credits shall not be accrued during the period of time that a parole violator is incarcerated pending action by the governor. Okla. Stat. tit. 57, § 516 (1987 Supp.).

III. CONCLUSION

After carefully reviewing the record in this case, the Court concludes that the Petitioner has not established that he is in custody in violation of the Constitution or laws of the United States. Accordingly, Petitioner's application for a writ of habeas corpus is hereby denied.

SO ORDERED THIS 17 day of

1995.

H. DALE COOK, Senior Judge UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

BARBARA JO HENDRICKS,)	JAN 1 7 1995 W
Plaintiff,)	Richard M. Lawrence, Court Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT
v.)	Case No. 94-C-854-K
HOUSEHOLD RETAIL SERVICES, INC.,)	AND THE STATE OF T
Defendant.)	ENTERNAL 1995
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Plaintiff Barbara Jo Hendricks, by and through her attorney of record Sean H. McKee, and Defendant Household Retail Services, Inc. by and through its attorney of record, Lewis N. Carter, hereby stipulate to the Dismissal with Prejudice of the above-styled cause pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 41(a)(1).

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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SAMSON RESOURCES COMPANY,	Richard M. Lawranca, Count Cles U.S. DISTRICT COURT	
Plaintiff,)	Γ‡,
vs.	Case No. 94-C-245K	
TEXAS INDEPENDENT EXPLORATION, INC.,))	
Defendant.	ENTERED ON DOCKET	
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STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

Plaintiff, Samson Resources Company, pursuant to Rule 41(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, stipulates to the dismissal of the referenced litigation with prejudice. Each party shall bear its own costs and attorneys' fees.

DATED this 13^{13} day of January, 1995.

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JAMES RANDOLPH CARTER,)	entered of docket
Petitioner,)	DAKE JAN 17 1995
vs.) No. 94-0	C-957-K DAXE JAN 17 1995
RONALD THOMPSON,)	A, I I I I
Respondent.	,	JAN 13 1995 W
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On December 21, 1994, the Court ordered Petitioner to address whether he properly challenged his sentence under 28 U.S.C. § 2241. In particular, the Court ordered Petitioner to brief whether the remedy provided by a 28 U.S.C. § 2255 motion would be inadequate or ineffective in his court. In his brief in response, Petitioner concedes that his petition under section 2241 is procedurally incorrect and requests the Court to convert his petition into a motion under § 2255.

Although the substance of Petitioner's claims for relief under section 2255 are before the Court in the instant petition, the filing of a separate motion pursuant to section 2255 is required to place the case in the proper procedural posture. A motion pursuant to section 2255 is not brought against the one in whose custody the prisoner is being held. Moreover, such a motion must be docketed in Petitioner's criminal case.

Accordingly, Petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241 is hereby dismissed without prejudice to Petitioner refiling a motion to vacate, set aside, or correct sentence in his criminal case. The Clerk shall mail to the

Petitioner a motion to vacate, set aside, or modify sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 and information and instructions for filing the same.

so ORDERED THIS /2 day of January , 1995

TERRY C. KERN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATE JAN 1 3 1995

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 12 1995

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COURT

TINA DUNN,

)

Plaintiff,

vs.

Case No. 94-C-764-BU

THORN AMERICAS, INC., d/b/a, RENT-A-CENTER, INC.,

Defendant.

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

COMES NOW the parties and hereby stipulate to the dismissal of the above-referenced lawsuit in its entirety with prejudice, each party bearing its own costs, expenses, and attorney's fees. A proposed order is attached for the Court's convenience.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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		Plaintiff	;

Richard M. Lawrence, Gerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

vs.

Case No. 94-C-399-BU

VERDIGRIS VALLEY SOD FARMS,)
INC., an Oklahoma corporation,)
and C. H. SMITH CONSTRUCTION,)
INC., an Oklahoma corporation,)
d/b/a VERDIGRIS VALLEY SOD)
FARMS,)
Defendant.

JAN 1 3 1995

AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSING ORDER

As the parties have reached a settlement and compromise of this matter which requires payments to be made through January 15, 1996, it is ordered that the Clerk administratively terminate this action in his records without prejudice to the rights of the parties to reopen the proceeding for good cause shown, for the entry of any stipulation or order, or for any other purpose required to obtain a final determination of the litigation.

If the parties have not reopened this case by January 15, 1996, for the purpose of dismissal pursuant to the settlement and compromise, the Plaintiff's action shall be deemed to be dismissed with prejudice.

Entered this 12 day of January, 1995.

Michael Burrage

United States District Judge

FILED IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

JAN 1 2 1995 Richard M. Lawrence Glerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA SEPARATION RECOVERY, a

Plaintiff,

vs.

Nevada corporation,

CLEAN AMERICAN CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation,

Defendant.

Case No. 94-C-317-BU

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ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSING ORDER

As the parties have reached a settlement and compromise of this matter, it is ordered that the Clerk administratively terminate this action in his records without prejudice to the rights of the parties to reopen the proceeding for good cause shown, for the entry of any stipulation or order, or for any other purpose required to obtain a final determination of the litigation.

If the parties have not reopened this case within 30 days of this date for the purpose of dismissal pursuant to the settlement and compromise, the plaintiff's action shall be deemed to be dismissed with prejudice.

Entered this 12 day of January, 1995.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

THRIFTY RENT-A-CAR SYSTEM, INC., an Oklahoma corporation, Plaintiff,)	ENTERIEU CA DOCKET DATE 1-13-95
vs.	CASE NO. 91-C-993-K
BROWN FLIGHT RENTAL ONE CORP., a foreign corporation; and RICHARD BROWN, an individual, Defendants,	I COURT
PENTASTAR SERVICES, INC., THOMAS BONNER, SCOTT ANDERSON, FRED CHESEBRO and TOD HAMILTON,	GAN 1 1 1995 Flichard M. Lavirence, Claric
Additional Defendants)	•

ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND JUDGMENT

The parties' Joint Application to Approve Settlement and Enter Judgment ("Application") is hereby GRANTED. Pursuant to and based upon the agreement of the parties, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed as follows:

- 1. The Court hereby approves the Settlement Agreement and Release which is attached to the Application.
- 2. Judgment is hereby rendered in favor of plaintiff Thrifty Rent-A-Car System, Inc. ("Thrifty") and against defendant Brown Flight Rental One Corp. in the amount of \$50,000.00 on the breach of contract claims asserted by Thrifty.
- 3. All other claims asserted herein by Thrifty against Richard Brown and Brown Flight Rental One Corp. are hereby dismissed with prejudice.

- 4. Judgment is hereby rendered against Richard Brown and Brown Flight Rental One Corp. and in favor of Thrifty Rent-A-Car System, Inc., Pentastar Services, Inc., Thomas Bonner, Scott Anderson, Frederick Chesebro and Tod Hamilton on all of the counterclaims asserted by them herein.
 - 5. All parties shall bear their own costs and attorneys' fees.
- 6. All other terms and conditions of the agreement are incorporated herein by reference, and the Court shall retain continuing jurisdiction over this matter and the parties hereto to enforce the agreement, if necessary.

DATED this // day of January, 1995.

s/ TERRY C. KERN

Russell Cook

TERRY C. KERN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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Plaintiffs.

vs.

DONALD PRIVETT and NORTH AMERICAN VAN LINES, INC.,

Defendants.

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Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT

No. 93-C-953-K/

STIPULATION FOR DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

COME NOW that Parties to the above-captioned action, by and through their respective attorneys, and stipulate that the above action has been compromised and settled and that the action is to be dismissed with prejudice as to its refiling.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that a true, full and correct copy of the above and foregoing instrument was mailed, postage prepaid, on the 12th day of January, 1995, to:

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

GEORGE G. GRAGG, III;
A. MICHELLE GRAGG
aka Adrianne M. Gragg;
STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel.
OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION;
CITY OF BROKEN ARROW, Oklahoma
COUNTY TREASURER, Tulsa County,
Oklahoma;
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
Tulsa County, Oklahoma,

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Flichard M. Lawrence, Court Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT

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Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-C-545-B

ORDER

Upon the Motion of the United States of America, acting on behalf of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, by Stephen C. Lewis, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma, through Loretta F. Radford, Assistant United States Attorney, and for good cause shown it is hereby ORDERED that this action shall be dismissed without prejudice.

Dated this _____ day of

<u>,</u> 1995.

S/ THOMAS R. BRETT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLA	AHOMA (1) 1995
SUN COMPANY, INC., (R & M), a Delaware corporation, and TEXACO INC., a Delaware corporation,	Richard M. La Jance, Clark U.S. DISTRICT COURT
Plaintiffs,	
vs.)	Case No. 94-C-820-B
BROWNING-FERRIS, INC., a Delaware corporation, et al.,)	ENTERED ON DOCKET
Defendants.)	DATE JAN 1 2 1995

DISMISSAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Plaintiffs, Sun Company, Inc. (R & M) and Texaco, Inc. hereby dismiss Defendant, F.M. Shipley, ONLY without prejudice.

Dated this 10th day of January, 1995.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on this // day of January, 1995, I mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing with proper postage thereon fully prepaid to all parties listed on the attached pages.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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DEBORAH L. FOSTER,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Case No. 94-C-225-K

TEXACO REFINING AND MARKETING INCORPORATED,

Defendant.

Defendant.

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

The parties jointly stipulate that all claims and causes of action are hereby dismissed with prejudice.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE f I f L f E f D NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA JAN 11 1995

SUSAN ELAINE ROBINSON,))	Richard M. Lawrence, Cler U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
Plaintiff,)	
vs.))	Case No. 94-C-834-BU
FGB REALTY ADVISORS, INC.,))	ENTERED ON DO AND
Defendant.	ý	DATE 1-12-95

ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSING ORDER

As the parties have reached a settlement and compromise of this matter, it is ordered that the Clerk administratively terminate this action in his records without prejudice to the rights of the parties to reopen the proceeding for good cause shown, for the entry of any stipulation or order, or for any other purpose required to obtain a final determination of the litigation.

If the parties have not reopened this case within <u>30</u> days of this date for the purpose of dismissal pursuant to the settlement and compromise, the plaintiff's action shall be deemed to be dismissed with prejudice.

Entered this __/_ day of January, 1995.

MICHAEL BURRAGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDG

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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DOLLAR SYSTEMS, INC., a Delaware corporation,)	Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT
Plaintiff,	·	
v.)	Case No. 94-C-634-E
GND RENT-A-CAR, INC., PATRICK GRAHAM, AND EDWIN SCHARTMAN,)))	
Defendant.)	•

NOTICE OF DISMISSAL

Plaintiff, Dollar Systems, Inc., by counsel, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41, hereby dismisses the above-captioned action with prejudice, with each party to bear its own costs and attorneys' fees.

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ATTORNEYS FOR DOLLAR SYSTEMS, INC.

DATE 1-12-95

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

LUCILLE M. POWDRILL,) ENTERED ON DOCKET
Plaintiff,	DATEJAN 1 1 1005
v.	93-C-1085- FILED
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Donna Shalala, Secretary,	JAN 1 1 1995
Defendant.	Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OXIAHOMA
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The Court has for consideration the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge filed December 16, 1994 in which the Magistrate Judge recommended that the Secretary's decision be remanded so that the ALJ can (1) re-examine Dr. De Benedetti's findings and the balance of the evidence in light of those findings; and (2) hold a supplemental hearing where the Vocational Expert should again testify, taking into consideration Dr. DeBenedetti's findings.

No exceptions or objections have been filed and the time for filing such exceptions or objections has expired.

After careful consideration of the record and the issues, the Court has concluded that the <u>Report and Recommendation</u> of the United States Magistrate Judge should be and hereby is adopted and affirmed.

It is, therefore, Ordered that the recommendations of the Magistrate Judge are hereby adopted as set forth above.

SO ORDERED THIS // day of _

THOMAS R. BRETT, CHIEF JUDGE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

LUCILLE M. POWDRILL,)	'	r	1	L	Ľ	L)
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This action having come before the court for consideration, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that judgment is entered in favor of the Plaintiff, Lucille M. Powdrill, and against the Defendant, Department of Health and Human Services.

The case is remanded per the Order of this sate, , 1995.

DATED THIS // day of _______, 1995.

THOMAS R. BRETT, CHIEF JUDGE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

HOWLIN' HITS MUSIC, INC., SEVENTH SON MUSIC, MATTIE RUTH MUSICK, CROSS KEYS PUBLISHING CO., INC., MAJOR BOB MUSIC, and POLYGRAM INTERNATIONAL PUBLISHING, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DEAN YECKLEY, Individually, and DEAN YECKLEY, as the Guardian of MARY DONAHEY, d/b/a VEGAS CLUB,

Defendants.

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Richard M. Lawrence, Court Clerk U.S. DISTRICT COURT

No. 94-C-981-B

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ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

The above styled and numbered cause comes before the Court pursuant to the plaintiffs' Application for Order of Dismissal with Prejudice. Upon review of the plaintiffs' Application, and for good cause shown, the Court finds the same should be, and hereby is, granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that this case is hereby dismissed with prejudice to its refiling, with each party to bear their own costs.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATE _____

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

JOSEPH ANGELO DICESARE,

Plaintiff,

vs.

LARRY D. STUART, RENE P.

HENRY, JR., UNKNOWN SHERIFF

AND DEPUTIES OF THE OSAGE

COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,

THREE UNKNOWN COUNTY

COMMISSIONERS, UNKNOWN OWNERS

OF THE COLLINSVILLE SALES

BARN, AN UNKNOWN VETERINARIAN,

AND THE COUNTY OF OSAGE

COUNTY, OKLAHOMA,

Defendants.

JOSEPH ANGELO DICESARE,

Plaintiff,

vs.

STANLEY GLANZ, SHERIFF OF)
TULSA COUNTY, and BILL O'DELL,)
DEPUTY SHERIFF OF TULSA)
COUNTY,)

Defendants.

No. 92-C-269-K

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Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OXIAHOMA

No. 92-C-905-K

JUDGMENT

This matter came before the Court for consideration of the defendants' motions for summary judgment. The issues having been duly considered and a decision having been rendered in accordance with the Order filed contemporaneously herewith, the Court finds summary judgment is appropriate in favor of defendants Stanley Glanz, Sheriff of Tulsa County and Bill O'Dell, Deputy Sheriff of Tulsa County, on grounds of qualified immunity and in favor of all

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defendants based upon plaintiff's lack of standing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that judgment is hereby entered for the defendants and against the plaintiff.

ORDERED this 10 day of January, 1995.

ERRY C. KERN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

JOSEPH ANGELO DICESARE,

Plaintiff,

LARRY D. STUART, RENE P.

HENRY, JR., UNKNOWN SHERIFF
AND DEPUTIES OF THE OSAGE
COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
THREE UNKNOWN COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS, UNKNOWN OWNERS
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BARN, AN UNKNOWN VETERINARIAN,
AND THE COUNTY OF OSAGE
COUNTY, OKLAHOMA,

Defendants.

JOSEPH ANGELO DICESARE,

Plaintiff,

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VS.

STANLEY GLANZ, SHERIFF OF)
TULSA COUNTY, and BILL O'DELL,)
DEPUTY SHERIFF OF TULSA)
COUNTY,)

Defendants.

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Richard M. Lawrence, Clerk U. S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OXLAHOMA

No. 92-C-905-K

ORDER

Before the Court are motions for summary judgment of various defendants and of plaintiff. The Honorable Thomas R. Brett previously granted summary judgment in favor of all defendants, which decision was reversed by the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit in <u>DiCesare v. Stuart</u>, 12 F.3d 973 (10th Cir.1993). By Order of June 13, 1994, the case was transferred to the undersigned. By Orders of October 6, 1994, this Court granted

the motion for summary judgment of defendants Stuart and Henry and granted summary judgment in part to Osage County officials on qualified immunity grounds.

Summary judgment is appropriate if "there is no genuine issue as to any material fact and . . . the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law." Fed.R.Civ.P. 56(c). The Court must view the evidence and draw any inferences in a light most favorable to the party opposing summary judgment, but that party must identify sufficient evidence which would require submission of the case to a jury. Anderson v. Liberty Lobby, Inc., 477 U.S. 242, 249-52 (1986). Where the nonmoving party will bear the burden of proof at trial, that party must "go beyond the pleadings" and identify specific facts which demonstrate the existence of an issue to be tried by the jury. Mares v. ConAgra Poultry Co., Inc., 971 F.2d 492, 494 (10th Cir. 1992).

The appellate opinion sets out the factual background of this action. 12 F.3d at 975-76. To summarize, the Osage County Sheriff's Department received a complaint about a stray horse. Attempting to locate the horse's owner, law enforcement officers entered certain property upon which they found several dead horses and other starving horses. Twelve of the living horses were in poor condition, but a thirteenth horse appeared healthy. The Osage County officers enlisted the aid of Tulsa County Deputy O'Dell and a veterinarian. The living horses were seized and taken to the Collinsville Sale Barn to be fed and treated. Several of the horses had to be euthanized. Pursuant to state law, the remaining

horses were sold after issuance of notice for a total of \$2,730. From this amount, the livestock commission, insurance, feed, yardage, and veterinary services were paid, resulting in a net loss to the sheriff's department of \$390.40.

Plaintiff brought the present action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1983. On appeal, the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit found apparently legitimate claims regarding the warrantless seizure of the horses and the failure of the state statutory scheme for sale of unclaimed animals to provide an opportunity for hearing. 12 F.3d at 977-78. The appellate decision remanded the case to this Court to "determine which, if any, of defendants are entitled to qualified immunity . . . and whether all defendants are sufficiently connected to the constitutional violations to hold them liable." Id. at 978.

First, the Court considers the motion to dismiss or in the alternative for summary judgment of defendants Stanley Glanz and Bill O'Dell. Movants raise the defense of qualified immunity. When the defense of qualified immunity has been raised by the defendant, the plaintiff then has the burden to show with particularity facts and law establishing the inference that the defendants violated a constitutional right. Once the plaintiff has sufficiently alleged the conduct violated clearly established law, then the defendant bears the burden, as a movant for summary judgment, of showing no material issues of fact remain that would defeat the claim of qualified immunity. Walter v. Morton, 33 F.3d 1240, 1242 (10th Cir.1994). Whether an official protected by

qualified immunity may be held personally liable for an allegedly unlawful official action generally turns on the "objective legal reasonableness" of the action. Applewhite v. United States Air Force, 995 F.2d 997, 1000 (10th Cir.1993) (citing Harlow v. Fitzgerald, 457 U.S. 800, 819 (1982)). The qualified immunity standard gives ample room for mistaken judgments by protecting all but the plainly incompetent or those who knowingly violate the law. Applewhite, 955 F.2d at 1000 (quoting Hunter v. Bryant, 112 S.Ct. 534, 537 (1991)). Moreover, plaintiff must show an individual defendant had an "affirmative link" to the constitutional violations. Winters v. Board of County Commissioners, 4 F.3d 848, 855 (10th Cir.1993).

Movants assert Glanz had virtually no involvement in the litigated events and O'Dell lacked sufficient involvement to face liability under §1983. Defendants present as uncontested fact, and plaintiff has offered no contrary evidence, that the Osage County deputies requested assistance from Tulsa County authorities because the Osage County deputies did not have a stock trailer capable of (Brief #114 at 3, ¶13). O'Dell's transporting the horses. again plaintiff has not presented affidavit states, and contradictory evidence, "I did not participate in any decisions to enter the property" (O'Dell affidavit at ¶6) and "I did not participate in any decision to seize or transport the horses from the scene" (Id. at ¶7). In sum, Glanz did not participate in the seizure, transportation or sale of the horses; O'Dell's only involvement was to transport the surviving horses the Collinsville Sale Barn. The Court concludes plaintiff has failed to demonstrate an affirmative link between any actions of the movants and the alleged constitutional violations. Moreover, such actions as were taken by O'Dell satisfy the "objective legal reasonableness" standard. Summary judgment is appropriate in favor of both Glanz and O'Dell.

Also before the Court is the motion for summary judgment of defendants Sheriff, Deputies, County Commissioners of Osage County and the County of Osage (#117). As one branch of their argument, movants contend plaintiff cannot prove actual injury because, under these facts, the alleged violation preserved the value of the property. In other words, if the horses had not been seized, they all would have starved to death and been of no value to plaintiff. See Bolden v. Septa, 21 F.3d 29, 34 (3rd Cir.1994) ("A plaintiff in a section 1983 case cannot recover for emotional distress unless he or she presents evidence of 'actual injury'"). While the argument is persuasive as to actual injury, it does not mandate dismissal. Plaintiff has alleged violation of constitutional rights; it is established "nominal damages are recoverable without proof of actual injury. . . " O'Connor v. City and County of Denver, 894 F.2d 1210, 1215 (10th Cir.1990). Plaintiff would be entitled to proceed in seeking recovery of nominal damages.

The second branch of movants' argument is plaintiff lacks standing because he is not the owner of the horses. Defendants Glanz and O'Dell have adopted this portion of the argument in a motion of their own (#125). Standing represents a jurisdictional

requirement which remains open to review at all stages of the litigation. National Org. for Women, Inc., v. Scheidler, 114 S.Ct. 798, 802 (1994). Plaintiff carries the burden of establishing the elements of standing. Mount Evans Co. v. Madigan, 14 F.3d 1444, 1450 (10th Cir.1994). One of those elements is "injury in fact." Id. If plaintiff did not own the horses, he did not suffer injury in fact from either the seizure of the horses or their sale.

The affidavit of Osage County Deputy John Ferguson states in paragraph 17: "In continued efforts to contact the owners of the horses, on November 20, 1990, I located Joe and Patricia DiCesare. Mr. and Mrs. DiCesare, who are the parents of the Plaintiff, advised me that the animals were the property of a corporation. I learned that the parents were part of the corporation but accepted In a transcript of the no responsibility for the animals." interview conducted with Mr. DiCesare, Sr., plaintiff's father states "those horses is [sic] owned by a corporation out of Texas". Further, "I had co signed a \$177,000.00 note on them horses at the bank. . . " (Exhibit R to pleading #136, Response of Defendants to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment). In a self-described "affidavit" executed by Mr. DiCesare, Sr., and attached to plaintiff's motion for summary judgment, the father states "I hold the original horse registration papers that name Joseph Angelo DiCesare as legal owner. I have ordered pedigrees on these horses, and the pedigrees should be here in approx. 10 days. At that time, copies of the pedigrees will be submitted to the court." (Exhibit G to pleading #115). No such pedigrees have ever been submitted. Furthermore, this "affidavit" is unsworn; its contents are not stated to be true and correct under penalty of perjury as permitted under 28 U.S.C. §1746. As such, it must be disregarded as summary judgment proof. See Nissho-Iwai American Corp. v. Kline, 845 F.2d 1300, 1305-06 (5th Cir.1988). See also Flowers v. Abex Corp., 580 F.Supp. 1230, 1233 n.2 (N.D.Ill.1984) (merely notarizing signature does not transform document into affidavit that may be used for summary judgment purposes).

On July 31, 1984, C.J.M. Investments, Inc., Joe DiCesare, Sr. and Patricia DiCesare entered into a security agreement and mortgage with McDonald County Mercantile Bank. The mortgage related to the Osage County property upon which the horses were The security agreement granted the Bank a ultimately found. security interest in, among other things, the horses owned by C.J.M. Investments, Inc. The company ultimately defaulted on the security agreement and mortgage. The Bank obtained judgment thereon on July 14, 1989. On October 10, 1990, Joe DiCesare, Sr. executed a Contract for Deed on behalf of C.J.M. Investments, Inc. for the purchase of real property in Osage County, Oklahoma. It is undisputed C.J.M. Investments, Inc., as opposed to plaintiff in the case at bar, owned the real property upon which the horses were found. (Plaintiff's Motion for summary judgment, pleading #115, at 3, ¶13).

On January 22, 1991, the Bank served an execution on the Sheriff of Osage County commanding the goods and chattels of C.J.M. Investments, Inc., Joe DiCesare, Sr. and Patricia DiCesare, be

returned to the Bank, "specifically including but not limited to proceeds from the sale of horses belonging to the defendants now in the hands of the District Attorney's office and/or the Osage County Clerk. . ." (Exhibit K to pleading #118). On February 16, 1994, Joe DiCesare, Sr., sent letters to the Internal Revenue Service on behalf of C.J.M. Investments, Inc., requesting an audit of the defendants in the present case for not reporting income of \$250,000.00 for "horses stolen from the DiCesare farm." (Exhibit M to pleading #118).

In response, plaintiff has submitted registration papers of thirteen horses, which list plaintiff as owner. The documents are dated many years ago, and in any event plaintiff has presented nothing demonstrating the thirteen horses identified in the registration papers were in fact the thirteen horses seized and sold by defendants. Plaintiff disputes the validity of the judgment obtained by the Bank. However, he also states: Plaintiff admits some money, if any, may be owed to McDonald County Bank on the horses, but until McDonald County Bank obtains a valid foreclosure judgment on these horses before a proper court then the horses in question are and belong to Joseph Angelo DiCesare the plaintiff in this case just like the registration papers state!" (Pleading #120 at 2) (emphasis in original). In the same vein, he states "McDonald County Bank may have a security interest in the horses; however, the bank has never took a forclosure [sic] judgment against these horses and until that happens plaintiff is the recognized owner." (Id. at 3) (emphasis in original).

Plaintiff's argument proves too much. In disputing the propriety of the foreclosure judgment, he concedes the existence of the Bank's security interest in the horses.1 The security agreement does not list plaintiff as a party thereto; it lists C.J.M. Investments, Inc. Plaintiff contends he nevertheless has standing to sue as "the sole member of C.J.M. Investments, Inc." (Pleading #115 at 3). At the time of the security agreement, Joe DiCesare, Sr. claims to have been the president of the corporation. (Defendants' Statement of Uncontroverted Facts, Fact 1 and In any event, a attachments thereto, Pleading #118 at 2). shareholder has no standing to bring claims for an injury suffered by the corporation. Gersman v. Group Health Ass'n, Inc., 931 F.2d 1565, 1569 (D.C.Cir. 1991), <u>vacated on other grounds</u>, 112 S.Ct. 960 (1992); Taha v. Engstrand, 987 F.2d 505, 507 (8th Cir.1993). Plaintiff lacks the requisite standing to pursue the present action.

It is the Order of the Court that the motions for summary judgment of defendants Stanley Glanz and Bill O'Dell (#113 and #125) and the motion for summary judgment of the Osage County defendants (#117) are hereby GRANTED. The motions of the plaintiff for summary judgment (##115 and 135) are hereby DENIED.

It is the further Order of the Court that the application of the plaintiff for leave to appeal in forma pauperis (#141) is

 $^{^1\}mathrm{Plaintiff}$ asserts the Bank claimed four horses which were free and clear of any liens or mortgage. (Pleading #115 at 4, ¶23). No evidence is presented beyond his own assertion, and he has made no showing any of these four were among the horses seized and sold.

hereby GRANTED.

It is the further Order of the Court that, a final Order having been entered, all other pending motions are declared moot.

ORDERED this // day of January, 1995.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE